



Applicants hereby elect Group I - Claims 1 to 8 with traverse, since the Group II claims 12-17 concern the method of evaluating the signals from the gas sensor (claims 1-8). Further, the present application is a PCT application which has met the required "unity of invention" standard.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restriction requirement.

It is not believed that any fee is necessary for this communication. If a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-4377

Respectfully submitted,

Bradley B. Geist

Patent Office Reg. No. 27,551

Attorney for Applicants (212) 408-2562

Baker Botts L.L.P. 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York NY 10112